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Applicants: **Bazot et al.**  
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**Amendment**

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**Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2007, Applicants respond as follows: